

# Sunday May 12, 2019

11:00am

## Welcome to St. Paul's United Church

and to our services today - we are happy that you have come!



### Sunday Morning Nursery

Toys and other nursery items are available during the service

**Sunday School children** start with their parents and leave partway through the Annex or combined services for Sunday School

**Washrooms** are located off the atrium

**Pew Cushions** are available to the left of the front platform in the sanctuary

**Two accessible entrances to St Paul's.** One is on Main Street via the atrium, with the elevator located just inside the entrance. Best parking to use for this entrance is the town lot west of the church, with two handicapped parking spots.  
The second accessible entrance is via the ramp off our parking lot, with two handicapped parking spots in the parking lot.

We invite you to pick up informational brochures in the atrium. Please introduce yourself to one of the hosts; we would be most happy to help you. **Visitors and guests are encouraged to sign the Guest Book located in the atrium.** We hope you will come to fellowship time following our services for conversation and refreshments!

### Participating this morning

**Worship Leadership:** Rev. Dale Skinner

**Music Director:** Don Cassano **Piano:** Dawn Brodie

**Greeting:** Jo McDuffe, Marlene Grimwood & Caroline Brodie

**Offering:** Jo McDuffe, Marlene Grimwood & Wendy Hodgkins

**Scripture Reader:** Sue Butson **Sound Team:** Glen Shore

**Fellowship Time:** Vicki Thomson & Janice Linke

**Bakers Dozen:** Judy Rye & Marlene Grimwood

**Large print bulletins available -  
please ask one of our ushers**

A warm welcome is extended to all this morning. Your presence both enriches us and this time of worship together. In the midst of the busy-ness of life, we have been gifted with this time and place to reconnect with God and with one another. We seek to discern a life beyond life and behold the larger reality Jesus revealed in his own life, death and resurrection. Our aim is spiritual growth, a deeper faith and a loving community.

\* Please stand if able  
Congregational responses in **bold**

## We Gather As God's People

### Prelude

\*VU 870 "Let All Creation Bless The Lord"

### Welcome and Announcements

\*VU 268 "Bring Many Names"

### Call To Worship

We gather to praise and honour to a God  
who knows us better than we know ourselves.

**This is our loving, nurturing God,  
who, like a mother,  
knows us intimately,  
loves us unconditionally,  
teaches us the way we should go,  
and comforts us in times of need.**

This is the Spirit whose presence never leaves us,  
and in Christ reveals a love for us that never ceases.

**A love with the strength to build  
one family of faith,  
that spans generations,  
nations, bloodlines,  
and bank accounts.**

**This God loves us as a Mother like no other.**

Let us give God our thanks and praise!

## We Respond In Faith

### Lighting of the Christ Candle

We light this candle mindful that Christ is among us.  
Jesus is the Light of the World,  
bringing a light that shines in us and for us,  
**illuminating the way of abundant Life.**

### Gathering Prayer

#### Lord's Prayer

*All are invited to pray in the tradition Jesus taught his disciples (Matt.6-9-13 & Luke 11:2-4). There are different versions and languages printed in the Voices United hymn book from pages 921-926. The version below appears in the Anglican Prayer Book of 1662. You are welcome to pray the version of your choosing.*

**Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever.**

## We Listen For God's Word

### For The Child In All of Us

### Choir Anthem

### Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading    Isaiah 66:12-14                      *Sue Butson*

Word For Today        The Mothering Spirit

### Invitation to the Offering

*We of St. Paul's are committed to the work of the Church. Weekly offerings, pre-authorized remittance (PAR), sharing of our time and talents and reaching out to friend and stranger are but some of the ways that we give.  
"God loves it when the giver delights in the giving." 2 Corinthians 9:7*

### Presentation Of Our Offerings

#### \*Offertory Response VU 538

**For the gift of Creation, the gift of your love,  
and the gift of the Spirit by which we live,  
we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.  
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.**

### Pastoral Prayers

## We Go In God's Name

\*VU 258        "O World Of God"

#### \*Words of Sending Forth (*Celtic traditional*)

May the Christ who walks on wounded feet  
walk with us on the road.  
May the Christ who serves with wounded hands  
stretch out our hands to serve.  
May Christ who loves with a wounded heart  
open our hearts to love.  
May we see the face of Christ in everyone we meet  
And may everyone we meet  
see the face of Christ in us.

#### \*Words of Blessing

#### \*Choral Response